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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant's attorney requests that the date for responding to the Office Action mailed November 7, 2001, be extended two months, from February 7, 2002, to and including April 7, 2002.

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